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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2009			Docket Number (Optional) MERCK-3225	
(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)			WIERCK-3223	
Application Number 10/592,017			Filed September 7, 2	006
For: Process for the production of monodisperse SiO ₂ particles				
Art Unit 1793			Examiner Pegah Parv	ini
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):				
	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	<u>Fee</u> \$130	Small Entity Fee \$65	
	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$490	\$245	
	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1110	\$555	1110.00
	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1730	\$865	
	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2350	\$1175	
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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.				
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